



Autumn 2 English

A Christmas Carol

Y4

Writing Outcomes:

1. A persuasive speech.
2. A horror story involving ghosts.

Grammar:

1. Use full range of co-ordinating conjunctions (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so).
2. Use full range of subordinating conjunctions (if, since, as, when, although, while, after, before, until, because).
3. Use Standard English verb inflections (e.g. ~~we was~~, we were, ~~I done~~, I did).
4. Know the difference between a plural and possessive -s.

Composition:

1. Read aloud their writing clearly, with appropriate intonation and volume.
2. Use paragraphs to show a change of place, time or topic.
3. Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggest improvements.

Speaking and Listening:

1. Respectfully challenge opinions or points, offering an alternative.
2. Vary language between formal and informal according to the situation.
3. Use a mixture of sentence lengths to add interest to discussions.

Reading:

1. Apply growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology) both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words.
2. Check that the text makes sense through discussing and explaining the meaning of words in context.
3. Use a dictionary to check meanings of new words.
4. Retrieve and record information from non-fiction.
5. Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justify with evidence.

Inspirational Individuals:



Charles Dickens



Bob Cratchit



Key Text



Linked Texts:

Olive Twist by Charles Dickens
Crucies Dickens and Friends

by Patricia Williamson

The Christmas Eve Tree by Delia Huddy

The Little Match Girl by Hans Christian Andersen

Key Themes:

Poverty and social responsibility

Key Vocabulary:

Vocabulary Ninja:

plump
discover
float
startled
entertaining
gain
colossal
leave
exceptional
moss
overjoyed
detest
boast
guide
shroud
blistering
incapacitate
absorbing
bubbly
bound
decimate
slothful
related
minor
peer
blasting
idolise
magical

Subject-specific:

poverty
deprivation
society
destitute
wretched
opulence
wealth
affluent
meagre
decadence
luxurious
beg
starve
bread line
parsimonious
frugal
prosperous
fortunate
unfortunate
poverty-stricken
desperate
penniless
miserly
philanthropic
charity
charitable
donate
sponsor

Spelling:

strength	proudly
grammar	horribly
calendar	nervously
women	happily
appear	usually
straight	finally
interest	beautifully
opposite	thoughtfully
increase	wonderfully
believe	carefully
information	faithfully
sensation	peacefully
preparation	cruelly
vibration	generally
decoration	chef
donation	chalet
duration	machine
registration	brochure
population	parachute
determination	chute
adoration	chaperone
admiration	chandelier
coronation	crochet
detonation	quiche
observation	favourite
location	complete
generation	continue
exploration	experiment
combination	February